

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Mr. Ronald Maylath
New York State Department of
Environmental Conservation
50 Wolfe Road
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Dear Mr. Maylath:

As per our conversation of July 23, enclosed is the correspondence from Chem-Trol, and also a copy of their Patent Application.

I do have some questions in my mind concerning the stability of the mercury sludge that is produced from their process. Knowing that buried sludges become anaerobic with the production of acid conditions accompanied by ammonia production, it would seem to me that their basic carbonate might break down to the same mercury sulfide they object to in their Patent Application.

Very truly yours,

Michael V. Polito
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Enclosures

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